



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20463

VIA FAX (202-543-7686) AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

July 20, 2001

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RE: MUR 4818
Gene Stipe
The Stipe Law Firm

Dear Mr. Sandler:

This is a follow-up to our telephone conversation this afternoon. As we discussed, this Office will grant you an extension of thirty (30) days beyond the 15 day statutory period, in which file a response to the General Counsel's Brief, conditioned upon your clients' consent to extend the statute of limitations of in this Matter for an equal number of thirty (days) pursuant to the consent agreement attached. If your Response is received sooner than thirty (30) days, then the tolling of the Statute of Limitations will be equal to the number of days beyond the 15-day statutory period in which your response brief was received.

This Office also has agreed that you may purchase copies of transcripts of depositions of your client, Walt Roberts, Jim E. Lane, Charlene Spears, Anne Prather and your client, Gene Stipe. As I stated over the phone, Dauphin & Rodgers Reporting and Video, in Oklahoma, was the court reporting service for these depositions, and Tina Hale was the court reporter. You may contact Shelley Fletchall at (405) 235-4106 to arrange purchase of the above-mentioned transcripts.

In your correspondence, you also made a general request for other depositions. As I stated over the phone, this request is vague, and you have agreed to withdraw this portion of your request at this time. You may submit a more specific request for other depositions, providing the name of each such person's deposition transcript that you wish to obtain, along with specific information of why you should obtain this transcript(s); however, whether to honor such a request ultimately is in the Commission's discretion.

If you have any questions, please call me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,



Margaret J. Toalson
Attorney

Enc.: Tolling Agreement

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